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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

BUECHLER et al.

Title:

NOVEL METHODS FOR THE ASSAY OF TROPONIN I AND T AND COMPLEXES OF TROPONIN I ADN T AND SELECTION OF ANTIBODIES FOR USE IN

IMMUNOASSAYS

Appl. No.:

09/349,194

Appl. Filing Date: 06/07/1999

Examiner:

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Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents **Box RCE** 2900 Crystal Drive Arlington, VA 22202-3513

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on

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[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.
[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 9-21-01.
(]	Other
b	. End	closed are:
[]	Amendment/Reply.
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).
[]	Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)							\$740.00		\$740.00
Total Claims:		_	75	=	0	- x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents:	9	_	15	=	0	- ×	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation	on of any M	ultiple	e Dependen	t Clai	ms:	+	\$280.00	=	\$0.00
	CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:						=	\$740.00	

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for [] the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]			
\$0.00	\$400.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]			
\$0.00	\$920.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]			
\$0.00	\$1,440.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]			
\$0.00	\$1,960.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]			
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\$740.00	N FEE TOTAL:	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:				
\$370.00	½ of above):	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):				
\$0.00	.R. § 1.103(c)	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)				
\$370.00	TOTAL FEE:	TOTAL FEE:				

- [X] A check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, postdated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date November 20, 2001

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